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1. Shelter WA Newsletter September 2004: Overcrowding

The theme of Shelter WA's September newsletter is overcrowding. Overcrowding has been a consistent theme in all of Shelter WA's regional housing forums, which it has conducted annually since 1997. While the extent and nature of overcrowding varies between regions, it is particularly prevalent among Indigenous people in remote areas. For instance, in the Perth ATSIC region, 11% of all Indigenous households live in overcrowded conditions, compared to 2% of non-Indigenous households. This increases to 18% (Indigenous) and 4% (non-Indigenous) in Geraldton, 20% / 5% in South Hedland and 31% / 12% in Broome.

The newsletter contains an article on the impact of overcrowding on Indigenous people. It also contains notes of the presentation made by Paul Pendergast at the Housing Indigenous People in Regional WA Forum, a brief overview of the recently released report, Counting the Homeless 2001 - Western Australia, and a Shelter WA article on homelessness published recently in Parity magazine.

Go to www.shelterwa.org.au (housing news) to download the newsletter.

2. Time change: Shelter WA / TAS Annual General Meeting

Please note the time for the Shelter WA and Tenants Advice Service Annual General Meetings on Wednesday 27 October has been changed to 11.00am. The AGM will be held as follows:

Wednesday 27th October 2003, from 11.00am – 2.00 pm
at Derbarl Yerrigan Conference Room
156 Wittenoom St
East Perth

A light lunch will be provided and the meeting will include an address by Professor Jim Ife, Lecturer in Social Policy at the Curtin University on Housing and Human Rights.

Please RSVP to Corinne Mercer (corinne@shelterwa.org.au or 08 9325 6660) by Monday 25 October 2004 for catering purposes. Corinne will also be able to provide you with a proxy form or a nomination form for the Management Committee.

Please remember to renew your membership before the meeting. You must be a financial member to nominate for the Management Committee and to vote.

3. Research: Bond Assistance

Are you a low-moderate income renter? Curtin University is conducting research on the private rental market and is seeking low-moderate income tenants to be interviewed. We are interested in hearing the views of low-income tenants who rent privately and who are eligible for, but who choose not to access bond assistance.

If you meet these criteria, please contact Shane Greive on 08 9266 9266 or S.Greive@exchange.curtin.edu.au

A payment of \$30 will be provided for each participant to cover the costs of travel and time.

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